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Dear Secretary Jewell, Secretary Pritzker, Administrator McCarthy, Secretary Laird, Director Cowin, Regional Director Murrillo, and officers of various Federal and California agencies with responsibilities concerning the BDCP/"California WaterFix":

On behalf of the signatories of the attached letter, eight environmental organizations in California object to the adverse water quality effects which would occur under the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix/Water Tunnels project.

We believe the BDCP Delta Water Tunnels project is not permissible under the federal Clean Water Act because it would degrade water quality in the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. This in turn will adversely affect numerous recognized beneficial uses and public health. The Water Tunnels project will require a Clean Water Act Section 401 certification that it cannot be given because it will not comply with established water quality standards.

Should you have questions concerning this letter please contact Tim Stroshane or Barbara Barrigan-Parrilla at Restore the Delta; Linda Sheehan of Earth Law Center, and Robert Wright at Friends of the River. Our contact information is in the attached letter.